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Title:

CANNOY ELECTRODE, MANUFACTURING METHOD HYDROGEN ABSORBIN THEREOF, AND ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY EQUIPPED WITH THE

HYDROGEN ABSORBING ALLOY ELECTRODE

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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated June 25, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: